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**The Difference in Alfalfa Crops.**  
Experiments at one Utah station made this year, show that the first cutting of alfalfa gives the largest yield. This was shown in each of five tests, and in fourteen out of fifteen cuttings, the third crop gave the lowest yield for every test and in every cutting but one. The average acre-yields for five years, including all cuttings, stand in the following relation: First crop, 100; second, 78; and third, 39. For the early cutting alone first crop, 100; second, 83; third, 66. In the average composition of all cuttings for three years, the nutrients of the three crops vary but little. The second has slightly the highest per cent of protein and fiber, and third the most fat and nitrogen-free extra.

The third crop has the largest proportion of leaves to stems, but the per cent of protein in the leaves is highest in the second crop, and next highest in the first. The leaves of the crop contain the most fat and of the second the least. The third crop produces a higher average rate of gain in the feeding tests than the first or second and also higher than any separate cutting. The amount eaten daily was also highest of all, but the dry matter and digestible matter for a pound of gain were the lowest. In a pound for pound comparison, the gains stand as follows: First crop, 100; second crop, 31; third crop, 126. Dry matter for a pound of gain, first crop, 100; second, 115; and third, 69.

**A Dead Suggestion.**  
He walked unsteadily up to the tall man in black.  
"Shay are you an undertaker?"  
"Yes, sir."

"And you belong to the 'soshiation'?"  
"Yes, sir, I belong to the association."

"And t-the 'soshiation' holds conventions?"  
"Yes, sir."

"Well, shay, I tell y-you good place to hold next one."

"Where?"  
"On banks of t-the Dead sea." And then he rolled out.

**Took Too much for Granted.**  
"This pass," the conductor said, looking at it again and then at the young man, "is made out for Mr. and Mrs. George Huddleston. Where is the lady?"

"She concluded she wouldn't come, and I hadn't time to get it changed," gloomily replied the editor of the Hickory Ridge Missourian, who had made the mistake of procuring the desired transportation for his wedding trip before he asked the young woman.

**Spelling a kid.**  
"They are just ruling that boy of mine at the kindergarten," said the worried father.

"What is the matter?" asked the friend, glad to hear one jarring note in the usual song of praise about the boy.

"He calls his chums 'William' and 'Henry,' instead of 'Bill' and 'Hank.' Wouldn't that jar you?"

**Ancient Humor.**  
At the coronation the ancient forms were strictly adhered to.

"Hail O, King!" cried the courtiers.  
And the new monarch responded:  
"Thank you ever so much, but it's all the same to you, I would rather reign than hail."

Then all laughed heartily, just as if this were not upward of 800 year old.

**Boarder Struckship.**  
Jane—That Mr. Shadowpate is at the door. Shall I tell him you are engaged?

Miss Pinkie—Show him into the parlor, Jane.

"Yes, m."

"And, Jane, after he lays his box of candy on the mantelpiece, tell him I am out."

**Some Men Never Learn.**  
"Now I distinctly recall the last total eclipse of the sun," remarked Mr. Homewood.

"It occurred in 1869, you will remember, Miss Beechwood."

"But said Miss Beechwood, freezingly, and Mr. Homewood wondered how he had put his foot in at this time.

**Progressive Bonanza.**  
Lane—I don't understand how Old Millard can be so gentle at home and then so tyrannical here at the store.

Rayne—For the same reason that you can be so gentle with him and yet so tyrannical with the office boy.

**A Limited Stockholder.**  
Passenger (Angrily)—Why don't you run more cars on this line?  
Conductor—Why, to tell the truth, I only own half a million of the stock of this line, and I don't have much to say about it.

**THE FIRST FIRE OF THE SEASON.**  
How it began in dawn's quiet,  
How it leaped in flames of light,  
How it came in flames of light,  
How it glowed in flames of light,  
While around the hearth we sat,  
And all in silence waited for  
The first fire of the season.

**Friendly Sam, remote Chalona**  
Sam of Chalona, remote Chalona,  
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**Dear the friends each heart remembers.**  
As in cheer we sit the others,  
And the ash reveals its beauty,  
Sparkle, flash and glow till duty,  
Through the corner of the hour,  
Work our soul,  
And we don't its sterner down  
Life's best goal.

**So we dream not visionary.**  
When we deem the missionary  
Homestead fire, ones more re-lighted,  
Blazing higher the white united,  
Round the hearth of home we gather,  
One and all,  
In the bleak and windy weather  
Of the fall.

—American Kitchen Magazine.

**YOUTHS' DEPARTMENT.**  
**The Frost King's Power—When Ellisabeth Was Ill—Cat Routed by a Bird—Seven Sleepers.**

There is in nature a king that rules a great part of this fair earth with a pitiless sway. Have you ever seen him work? If not, think of this: What is it that brings the bird tribes in autumn, host upon host, from their northern summer haunts? It is the frost king. He lifts his hand in the far north, and the grass and the leaves are withered. He waves his wand, and flakes and crystals of the snow, as beautiful as any created forms upon earth, come falling in myriads, to cover the food of the birds from sight.

But winter has a beauty all its own. You have often caught the first crisp flakes of snow in early winter upon the cool dark sleeve of your coat and have wondered at the perfect beauty of the many shapes. I know your teacher has with artistic skill drawn for you frost patterns on paper till you have seen that he who makes the blossom and the leaf upon the beautiful bestows no less of honor upon the crystals of the frost.

And the frost on the windows, have you never admired its patterning? "Just a bright glaze of white," that gumbler thought it. But look you closer and better, and look again. Will it surprise you greatly to be told that frost patterns, like leaf patterns, have both settled and definite formations? They may combine indeed into endless variations, but the simple patterns remain the same. Where most of you live, in what are called the temperate parts of the United States, there is little variation in window frost forms.

But farther north, where our own country meets the British possessions, there are many frost patterns of rare beauty. Yet even in the more northern climes these forms are seldom seen save in the coldest weather, when the thermometer stands 30 to 40 degrees below zero.—P. S. Peabody in St. Nicholas.

**The Fashionable Figure.**  
The fashionable figure is infinitely graceful, picturesque and lithe in appearance.

All the new models for autumn show a straight line from under the bust in front to the waist line. The curves are on the sides under the arms and at the back. The back should slope—not round, but slope—in a straight line from neck to waist line and there form a concave curve. Under the arms there should not be a sharp V cut in the waist line, but a gradual slight spring from the armpit to the waist line, there curving in, and thence curving out over the hips, a sort of "compound curve," as they call it in drawing books, from arm to hip.

The fashionable figure is poised on the balls of the feet, and the chest is kept well up, giving a continuous curve from the shoulder seams down over the bust. The dressmaker who does not study this new model of figure and make the lines of her gowns conform to it fails to make a stylish dress, though it be of cloth of gold wrought by fairy fingers.—L'Art de la Mode.

**A Homemade Desk.**  
The material to be used in a useful desk originally illustrated in The Ladies' World consists of two packing boxes, the smaller one, to be placed on top, measuring 12 inches deep by 18 inches long and 2 feet 6 inches long. The larger box, placed beneath, measures 2 feet high, 18 inches deep and is also 2 feet 6 inches long.

To put this desk together, place the larger box on its side with the lid side to the front; on top of this set the smaller one in the same position. Rip

**USEFUL DESK—FRONT AND SIDE VIEWS.**  
off all the top to within six inches; then saw from this point diagonally, as shown in the side view, to form the desk. Nail the two boxes together, as shown in the dotted lines, then, make them join more firm and secure, nail a board just over the connection all the way across the back of the box. Rollers are screwed to the bottom of the desk so that it may be readily wheeled about; when necessary. The arrangement of the shelf is very simple and needs no explanation. The ornamentation is made with paper mache or fluted wax. This desk can be painted or stained and varnished.

**The English Animal.**  
Teacher—Now, Johnny, you know the eagle stands for America. What animal stands for Great Britain?  
Johnny—I dunno.

Teacher—Why, Johnny, don't think for a moment. It begins with "L."  
Johnny—Lioness?—Teacher.

**As Acquired Grace.**  
How gracefully she handles a fan.  
"Yes. She used to keep the flies off the tables in her father's dairy lunch."

**Variety In Cereals.**  
I would suggest variety in the use of cereals, says a writer in The Woman's Home Companion. Any one gets tired of always having the same thing, and there is no excuse for this monotony when one considers all the various preparations of oats, maize and wheat. So if you give your family oatmeal for a few mornings surprise them at an other breakfast with hominy or cracked wheat or granulated barley or some similar preparation. The very fact that it is a surprise will make it all the more welcome and, for that matter, all the more beneficial.

Try the charming effect of a fringe made of black, white or colored satin cords. As a finish for scarfs and awnings or cravats this turns out exceedingly well. It is one of the modish inventions, and experience proves that such fringe wears so well that it pays. Adopt it. For variety narrow inch or half inch satin or taffeta ribbons in double loops are spaced off between a group of these cords. In white or light colors the result is most satisfactory, but the cord alone gives the best effect in a black fringe.—Vogue.

**The Banana.**  
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